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For :	Sol-Gel Manufactured Energetic Materials		

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 25, 2000, kindly consider the following:

Election of Species

Applicants have been required "to elect a single disclosed species . . ." The Examiner then states:

"Currently, all the claims appear generic or subgeneric."

Thus, accordingly to the Examiner there are no claims which define a "species."

Further, it is not understood what a "subgeneric" claim is.

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